THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) During the year 1990-91 the indigenous production of nitrogenous fertilizers was 69.93 lakh tonnes (in nutrient) as against the estimated consumption of 79.66 lakh tonnes. In the case of phosphates, the indigenous production during the same year was 20.51 lakh tonnes (in nutrient) as against the estimated consumption of 32.86 lakh tonnes.

In Phosphates, the constraints of availability of domestic raw materials and intermediates do not permit self-sufficiency in production.

(c) A number of projects have been identified for implementation during the Eighth Five Year Plan period. With the implementation of these projects, the estimated indigenous production is expected to increase from estimated 73.5 lakh tonnes nitrogen and 26.5 lakh tonnes of phosphates in 1991-92 to 111.5 lakh tonnes nitrogen and 38.0 lakh tonnes phosphates in 1996-97, as against the likely demand of 115.57 to 117.96 lakh tonnes of nitrogen and 53.96 to 55.10 lakh tonnes of phosphates. With this, the country will become self-sufficient in Urea which is the principal nitrogenous fertilizer.

Ban on Brand Names of Medicines

1312. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to ban the brand names of medicines and lables with pharmacological names;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (c) At present, there is no such proposal.

Profits and Losses of IDPL and HAL

1313. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the net profits earned or losses suffered by Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited and Hindustan Antibiotics Limited during April, 1991 to October, 1991;

(b) how it compares with the figures during the same period in 1989 and 1990;

(c) what is the value of inventory and outstanding dues of these companies as on 31st October, 1991; and

(d) whether in view of the recent industrial policy Government will consider privatisation of these companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (c) The details are furnished in the enclosed Statement. (*See* below).

(d) There is no such proposal under consideration at present.

Statement

(FIG, Rs./Crores)

S.No.	Name of the company	Net Profit/Loss during April to October			Value of inventory/ outstanding dues (as on 31-10-91)	
		1989	1990	1991	Inventory	Outstanding
1.	M/s Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	(—)24·93	(—)51·48	(—)53·50*	56·69	31·46
2.	M/s Hindustan Anti-biotics Ltd.	(—)0·02	(—)4·44	(—)4·18*	25·46	38·54

* Estimated,
(—) Loss,